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## Symmes Neighborhood Advisory Committee Minutes 12/06/2004

### MINUTES

#### SYMMES NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SNAC)

MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2004

SNAC MEMBERS PRESENT (alphabetical order): Sandi Bourgeois, Terry Dash (Chair), Elaine Duffy, and Greg Jackmauh.

OTHERS PRESENT: Deborah Dill.

Meeting called to order.

Discuss the 12/1/04 Neighborhood Meeting.

- SNAC members express grave concern about the effectiveness of the neighborhood protection plan as it currently stands. Members believe that the Symmes site is uniquely dangerous because it is a very large construction project in a quiet residential neighborhood, involves hazardous waste, lies steeply uphill of neighbors (several neighbors have already had property damage resulting from runaway trucks in other projects).

- SNAC agrees to a 2-pronged strategy: (1) continue to look for samples of better plans, and (2) look into the possibility of legal action during the 20-day period when suit can be brought (after the special permit is granted).

- SandiB mentions some organizational aspects of the December 1 meeting that she would prefer we do differently next time—particularly sign-in and preparation for opening statements.

➤ . . . . . Ask for a meeting with Kevin O'Brien (where do we go from here with an unacceptable neighborhood protection plan?)

➤ . . . . . Email Fish to ask for other neighborhood protection plans (Elaine)

➤ . . . . . Terry will get Cambridge Hospital mitigation plan

➤ . . . . . Terry will try to locate a real estate lawyer

➤ . . . . . Meet with Joe Tulimieri on 12/13 re: neighborhood protection plan (Joe Tulimieri works for Cambridge Redevelopment Authority)

➤ . . . . . Terry will circulate proposed minimum criteria to create an acceptable plan

➤ . . . . . Terry will email the big list re: dissatisfaction with the neighborhood protection plan

➤ . . . . . Sandi will give Terry a copy of the June neighborhood meeting attendees

Greg gone 12/16 – 1/5/05

Elaine prefers not to meet until 1/14/05

Sandi prefers not to meet after 12/17/05

Adjourn.

Dec 6, 2004 SNAC MINUTES – per T Dash